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*Illinois State University
School of Music*

*'Super' Senior Recital
Christa Kathleen Ruesink
Flute
Patricia Foltz, Piano*

*With
Special Guests*

*Kimberly McCoul Risinger
and
Kent Alexander Krause*

*Kemp Recital Hall
Saturday Evening
November 2, 2002
7:00 p.m.*

The Thirty-Fourth Program of the 2002-2003 Season

Program

Valentine
Lukas Foss
(b. 1922)

Sonata No. 1 in A Minor
Adagio
Allegro
J.B. Loeillet
(1680-1730)

Kent Alexander Krause, euphonium

La Flute de Pan
Pan et les bergers
Pan et les oiseaux
Pan et les nymphes
Jules Mouquet
(1867-1946)

Intermission

'Lakme' Flower Duet
Leo Delibes
(1820-1891)

Kimberly McCoul Risinger, flute

Achat Sha'alti
Paul Schoenfield
(b. 1947)

Carmen Fantaisie
(from the opera by G. Bizet)
Francois Borne
(1840-1920)

Special Thanks

To Kim

What do I begin to say to someone who has been there for me through thick and thin throughout my entire college career? It seems like just yesterday when I walked into your studio for the first time as a scared and timid freshman. It's hard to believe that five years later I have grown into a young adult who is supposed to be ready to go out into the real world. Kim, the impact and influence you've made on my life is so huge that I can't even begin to explain it. It is a sincere honor not only to study with you, but to be able to listen to you play, and just to know you as well. You have done so much for me that I will never be able to thank you enough or to explain to you just how much you mean to me. I look up to you in so many ways Kim. My wish as a future music educator is that I can inspire my students as much as you've inspired me, because I have you to thank for the musician that I am today and for the type of teacher that I hope to become. Thank you for always being there for me in both good times and bad. I thank God everyday for placing you in my life because in you I've found not only a role model, but I've found one of the dearest and closest friends that a person could ever wish to have. I'll never be able to thank-you enough for all that you've done, but I hope you know that I am truly blessed to have you in my life. I love you dearly and want you to know that I believe and care about you with my whole heart. I will miss you so much that it will hurt, but I know that our friendship will last for a life-time. God bless you.

To My Family

Thank you for your constant support in all that I do. I am lucky to have such a loving and caring family. You've known me since the first day of my existence and it is probably hard to believe that 22 years later I am about to graduate college and become a "real person". We are very blessed to be such a close family and to have each other through all things that life deals us. I love you all so much and I don't know what I would ever do without any of you. Nanci, I would particularly like to thank you for taking on such a "motherly" role. Losing my mom was the hardest thing that I have ever gone through, and you have done your best to try to fill that void (as you know it is not an easy job because I can be kind of a pain at times!) But seriously, you never cease to amaze me because no matter how much you already have to take on, you are always willing to take on more in order to help out someone else. You are an inspiration and I hope you know just how blessed and thankful I am to have you in my life. I love you and thank you for all that you've done for me.

To Kent

To begin to thank you and to try to explain to you just how much I love you is a task that is not easy to embark on because what I feel for you is something that is so overwhelming that I don't know if it can be expressed in words. You are one of the most wonderful and caring people that I know. Your heart is always open and you are always there for me. I honestly don't know what I would ever do without you. You are not only my best-friend but you are a person who I love with my whole heart.

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I have so much respect and admiration for you that I know without a doubt that you will succeed valiantly at all your future endeavors. I believe in you with my whole heart and hope you know just how proud of you I am. I am truly blessed that God has graced my life with yours because in you I have found someone who fills my heart with an overwhelming amount of joy, happiness, and love. I am really blessed to have you and your whole family in my life. I love you with my whole heart and can never thank you enough for all that you've done (and continue to do) for me. I promise that I will always be there for you and no matter what happens I will always love you deeply.

To my friends

I hope you know how much I appreciate having all of you in my life. A person couldn't ask for better friends. You are some of the most wonderful and genuinely caring people I know. It's easy for a person to be there for someone through the good times, but it is not easy to be there during the rough times and you all have stuck by my side through both of those times. I can't thank you enough for all that you've done and I hope you know that I will always be there for you. I love you.

To Patty

Working with you for the past couple of years has really helped keep me sane. It is such an amazing experience to play with you because you are such an amazing musician. I don't know anyone who gives as much of their time in order to help others. You have one of the biggest and most caring hearts that I know Patty. You are a very special person and very dear to my heart. I am so thankful for all that you've done for me and will miss working with you and laughing with you more than you'll ever know. I love you very much and hope you know how much I appreciate having you in my life. Thank you Patty.

To the flute studio

Well, what can I say? Alas, after five years, you guys are finally getting rid of me. I don't think you realize just how hard it is going to be for me to leave you. You have been like a family to me for the past five years of my life, and we have shared many laughs and many tears together. I hope you all know that I love you very much and know that you will do well in all that you choose to do. It is an honor to be able to play with you in ensembles and to hear you play in masterclass. Please try to remember that playing music is not about what chair you get or what band you are in. Playing music is about what you feel inside your heart and trying to express that through what you are playing. Remember through all times to be supportive of each other and to encourage each other to do the best that you can. If I've tried to teach you anything or to leave a lasting impression on you, it would be to always be yourself and not to care about what other people think. Life should not be taken for granted, just as we should not take each other for granted. I love you and will miss you more than you'll ever know, but please know that no matter where I am, if you ever need me for anything, I will always be there for you.